

BE PREPARED TO HAVE THE DIFFICULT CONVERSATION

Before you allow your underage children to attend a party where you think alcohol may be available, take the opportunity to inform them of how alcohol and other drugs—such as marijuana—can affect their bodies and minds.



ABOUT
18%
OF YOUTH
ALCOHOL USERS

Research shows that **312,000** youth ages 12 to 17 used marijuana within 2 hours of the last drink they had in the past month.*

Learn how you can keep underage youth informed about the consequences of substance misuse at underagedrinking.samhsa.gov.

SAMHSA
Substance Abuse and Mental Health
Services Administration

*Population totals from the Detailed Tables are rounded to the nearest thousand.

Source: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality. (2022). *Results from the 2021 National Survey on Drug Use and Health: Detailed tables*. <https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/2021-nsduh-detailed-tables>

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